Your child, ______________________, is invited to take part in a study named Memory for Behaviors. The study is designed to learn more about how good people are at learning the behavioral information about other people. The research is being conducted by Dr. Irmak Olcaysoy Okten who is a Post-Doctoral Fellow. The faculty sponsor of this work is Prof. Gabriele Oettingen in the NYU Department of Psychology.

If you permit participation in this study, your child will be asked to complete a goal setting task, learn about some behavioral descriptions and pictures of people, complete a memory task and some surveys. Participation will take about 30 minutes in total, and will earn 0.5 credit for laboratory participation towards the course research requirement. If your child withdraws from the study, your child will receive credit for the time completed. Your child can fulfill the course requirement in other ways besides participating in research.

There are no known risks associated with participation in this research beyond those of everyday life. Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, your child may become more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand how good people are at learning the behaviors of other people.

Taking part in this study is voluntary. Not taking part or withdrawing from the study will not affect your child’s grades or academic standing in any way. Your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions he/she prefers not to answer. When your child completes the study, a thorough verbal and written explanation of it will be provided.

Confidentiality of your child’s research records will be maintained by de-identifying the stored data and electronically deleting identifying information. Information not containing identifiers may be used in future research or shared with other researchers without additional consent.

The researcher cannot keep information confidential if they have concerns that someone is hurting children or that your child might hurt themselves or someone else. In such cases, the researcher will inform people in authority about their concerns.

If there is anything about the study or taking part in it that is unclear or that you do not understand, or if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact the principal investigator, Irmak Olcaysoy Okten, at 212-998-8221, io343@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place #473, or the faculty sponsor, Prof. Gabriele Oettingen, at 212-998-7915, gabriele.oettingen@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place #472.

For questions about your child’s rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS/IRB), New York University, (212) 998-4808 or ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu, 665 Broadway, Suite 804, New York, NY 10012.

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